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Such a Charge Was Made by Representative Knutson of Minnesota During Debate on the Immigration Bill—Opponents of Two Year Suspension Scored First Victory in the Adoption of an Amendment to Reduce the Embargo Period to Fourteen Months—Bill Cannot Be Enforced Until Two Months After Passage.

Washington, Dec. 10.—Amendment of the Johnson bill to reduce the two year suspension against immigration to the United States to fourteen months and charges that foreign governments are "demanding the movement of radicals to the United States" marked another day of debate in the house on immigration legislation.

Adoption by a vote of 87 to 25 of the amendment offered by Representative Knutson, republican, of Minnesota, to reduce the suspension to fourteen months, was a surprise to advocates of the legislation and constituted the first victory for Representative Knutson, republican, of Minnesota, over the opposition of the immigration committee.

Proponents of the bill, however, were not dismayed and said that they were confident of favorable action on the measure before adjournment tomorrow.

The main amendment actually limits the restriction period to two months after passage of the bill and can be applied only fourteen months from date of passage.

Another amendment offered by Representative Knutson, republican, of Minnesota, to reduce the suspension to fourteen months, was adopted by a viva voce vote. The immigration committee, however, had previously announced that it would not support the measure.

The day's debate developed a strengthening of forces opposing the bill. Representative Knutson, republican, of Minnesota, and other influential members announced their opposition to the measure. Reasons given for opposition were:

FAVOR CORPORATION TO FINANCE FOREIGN TRADE

Chicago, Dec. 10.—Organization of a corporation to finance foreign trade is being backed by bankers, manufacturers and merchants over the entire country, was disclosed today by prominent speakers before a conference meeting under auspices of the American Bankers' association.

The proposed corporation would be formed under the Edge law with a capital of \$100,000,000 available to its members as cash and to be used for the purchase of foreign goods which foreign buyers could be unable to pay for. This foreign trade, speakers said, was necessary to the commercial progress of the United States and some method of financing foreign trade must be worked out to enable American manufacturers to take their place in world trade.

LEAGUE CONSIDERS USE OF ECONOMIC BLOCKADE

Geneva, Dec. 10.—(By The A. P.)—Just as the economic blockade has been used as a league of nations' weapon to prevent war, it is to be determined by a special commission which the council of the league will appoint and which will report to the council at the next assembly. This was the essence of a report adopted with minor amendments, by the assembly of the league.

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Cabled Paragraphs Bomb Thrown in Rumanian Senate

Two Senators Killed—Martial Law Has Been Proclaimed Throughout Country.

London, Dec. 10.—Reports that martial law had been proclaimed in Rumania were current today in connection with dispatches from Bucharest telling of the throwing of a bomb in the Rumanian senate in which two senators, including a member of the government, were killed and others seriously injured.

The bomb throwing is believed to be directly connected with the unrest prevailing throughout Rumania. Since various sorts have been in progress there and the government recently ordered the military forces to use all means, including bombs and gas, to suppress disorders.

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Labor Fight Coming in Clothing Industry

Workers Spurn Proposal of Manufacturers For Return to Piece Work System.

New York, Dec. 10.—Shifting of the industrial struggle begun this week when thousands of members of Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America spurned the proposal for the Clothing Manufacturers' Association to return to the piece work system of wages, to a fight over a closed or open shop was forecast here today.

William Bandier, president of the Manufacturers' organization, announced that he would present to the workers early next week a wage scale based on the piece work system. "If they reject it," he added, "the shops will be open to all workers, for work, irrespective of union affiliation."

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INTELLIGENCE BUREAU SHOWS \$17,058,763 DEFICIT

Requests of Congress an Appropriation of that sum to Cover Expenses During the Present Fiscal Year—\$1,600,000 is Asked For the Enforcement of the Prohibition and Narcotic Laws—Bureau Needs Additional Officials for the Enforcement of Prohibition.

Washington, Dec. 10.—Requests for an additional appropriation of \$17,058,763 to cover expenses during the present fiscal year were made of congress today by the bureau of internal revenue. Of this amount \$1,600,000 is asked for the enforcement of the prohibition and narcotic laws.

Commissioner Williams reported that \$13,531,510 had been expended for enforcement of the laws during the first three months of the present fiscal year. For this purpose \$12,000,000 had been appropriated for the year.

MESSAGE FROM CONSTANTINE TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE

Lucerne, Switzerland, Dec. 10.—(By The A. P.)—Former King Constantine of Greece, in an open message to the American people today, says he feels like a political prisoner in his own country and that he has been elected to rule over Greece by popular vote. He reiterates his expression of good will toward the United States and thanks the American people for the sympathy and impartiality shown him.

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WOULD DEFER ACTION ON MERCHANT MARINE ACT

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It was announced, however, that as soon as sufficient shipping facilities are under the American flag were available for handling the commerce of the country between all foreign ports and the proposed suspension of the act would be dropped. The board would request of the senate further suspension of the act.